

2003 WASHINGTON STATE HIGHER EDUCATION TRENDS AND HIGHLIGHTS

County Participation Rates

Participation Rates for Washington's Public 4-Year Institutions by County

Public 4-Year Institution

Participation Rates for

Washington Residents by
County, Fall 2002

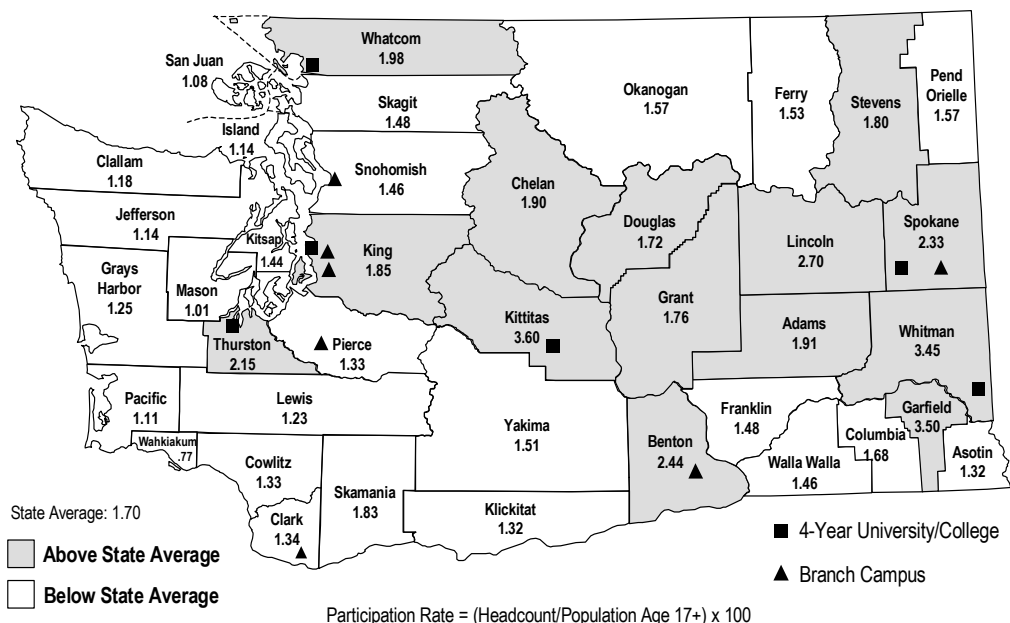
County (Ranked)	Participation Rate
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1. Kittitas	3.60
2. Whitman	3.45
3. Garfield	3.05
4. Lincoln	2.70
5. Benton	2.44
6. Spokane	2.33
7. Thurston	2.15
8. Whatcom	1.98
9. Adams	1.91
10. Chelan	1.90
11. King	1.85
12. Stevens	1.80
13. Grant	1.76
14. Douglas	1.72
15. Columbia	1.68
16. Okanogan	1.57
17. Pend Orielle	1.57
18. Ferry	1.53
19. Yakima	1.51
20. Franklin	1.48
21. Skagit	1.48
22. Walla Walla	1.46
23. Snohomish	1.46
24. Kitsap	1.44
25. Clark	1.34
26. Pierce	1.33
27. Cowlitz	1.33
28. Klickitat	1.32
29. Asotin	1.32
30. Grays Harbor	1.25
31. Lewis	1.23
32. Clallam	1.18
33. Island	1.14
34. Jefferson	1.14
35. Pacific	1.11
36. San Juan	1.08
37. Mason	1.01
38. Skamania	0.83
39. Wahkiakum	0.77

Washington Total 1.70

- ▶ As expected, counties where four-year main campuses are located, as well as some adjacent counties, have relatively high participation rates in the four-year system. These include King, Whatcom, Kittitas, Spokane, Whitman and Thurston counties.
- ▶ The location of branch campuses in Bothell, Tacoma, Vancouver and Tri-Cities has improved participation rates in these areas, however, participation in four-year institutions in Pierce, Clark, Snohomish, and Franklin counties is still below the state average.

Public 4-Year College and University Participation Rates by County, Fall 2002



SOURCES: Fall 2002 enrollment data is from Higher Education Enrollment Report and State Board for Community and Technical Colleges Management Information System report, state-funded enrollment only. Population is from OFM Population Estimate by County.

Participation Rates for Washington's Community and Technical Colleges by County

Community and Technical Colleges Participation Rates

for Washington Residents by
County, Fall 2002

County (Ranked)	Participation Rate
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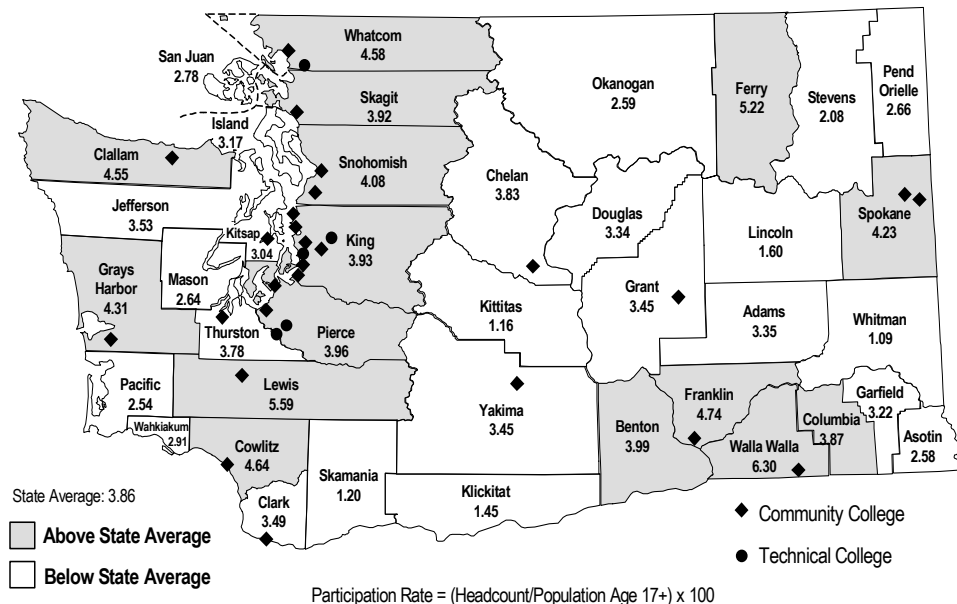
1. Walla Walla	6.30
2. Lewis	5.59
3. Ferry	5.22
4. Franklin	4.74
5. Cowlitz	4.64
6. Whatcom	4.58
7. Clallam	4.55
8. Grays Harbor	4.31
9. Spokane	4.23
10. Snohomish	4.08
11. Benton	3.99
12. Pierce	3.96
13. King	3.93
14. Skagit	3.92
15. Columbia	3.87
16. Chelan	3.83
17. Thurston	3.78
18. Jefferson	3.53
19. Clark	3.49
20. Yakima	3.45
21. Grant	3.45
22. Adams	3.35
23. Douglas	3.34
24. Garfield	3.22
25. Island	3.17
26. Kitsap	3.04
27. San Juan	2.78
28. Pend Oreille	2.66
29. Mason	2.64
30. Okanogan	2.59
31. Asotin	2.58
32. Pacific	2.54
33. Wahkiakum	2.14
34. Stevens	2.08
35. Lincoln	1.60
36. Klickitat	1.45
37. Skamania	1.20
38. Kittitas	1.16
39. Whitman	1.09

Washington Total 3.86

- Because of Washington's large and widely dispersed two-year community and technical college system, there are heavy concentrations of enrollment along the I-5 corridor, the Olympic Peninsula, southwest Washington, southeast Washington, and northwest Washington.

Public 2-Year Community and Technical College Participation Rates

By County, State-Funded Headcount Enrollment only for Fall 2002



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Participation Rates for Washington's Public 2- and 4-Year Institutions by County

Public Higher Education

Participation Rates for

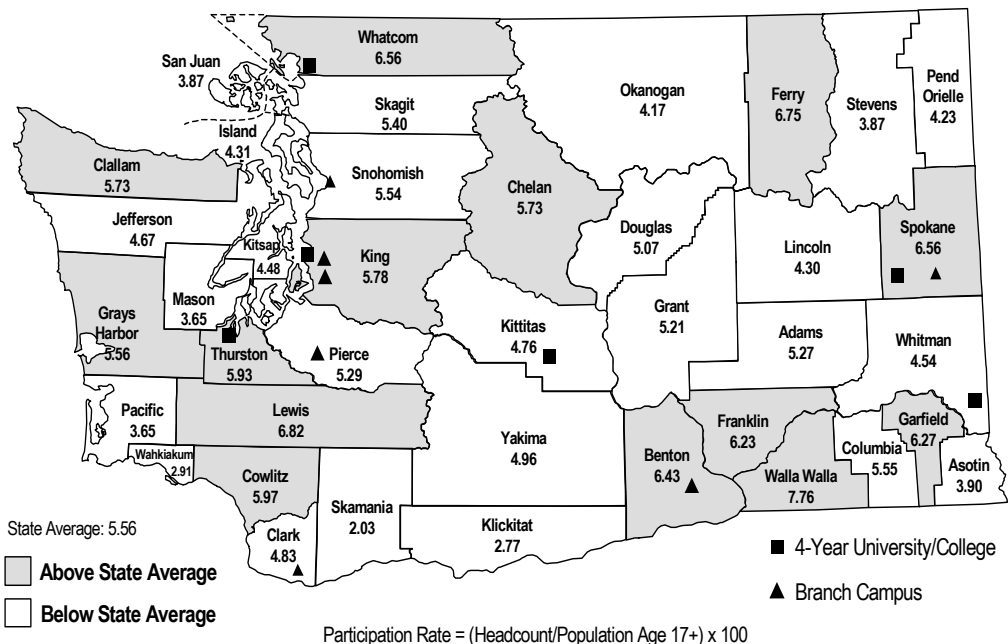
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County, Fall 2002.

- The presence of three of the state's six four-year institutions east of the Cascades raises the overall participation rates for central Washington and Whitman County. (See also four-year participation map.)

County Participation
(Ranked) Rate

1. Walla Walla	7.76
2. Lewis	6.82
3. Ferry	6.75
4. Spokane	6.56
5. Whatcom	6.56
6. Benton	6.43
7. Garfield	6.27
8. Franklin	6.23
9. Cowlitz	5.97
10. Thurston	5.93
11. King	5.78
12. Chelan	5.73
13. Clallam	5.73
14. Grays Harbor	5.56
15. Columbia	5.55
16. Snohomish	5.54
17. Skagit	5.40
18. Pierce	5.29
19. Adams	5.27
20. Grant	5.21
21. Douglas	5.07
22. Yakima	4.96
23. Clark	4.83
24. Kittitas	4.76
25. Jefferson	4.67
26. Whitman	4.54
27. Kitsap	4.48
28. Island	4.31
29. Lincoln	4.30
30. Pend Oreille	4.23
31. Okanogan	4.17
32. Asotin	3.90
33. Stevens	3.87
34. San Juan	3.87
35. Mason	3.65
36. Pacific	3.65
37. Wahkiakum	2.91
38. Klickitat	2.77
39. Skamania	2.03

Washington Total 5.56

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